CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO COUNCIL MINUTES

September 05, 1995 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Grossman at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

After a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called and the following members were present:

Mike Milovich Todd Hurley Cheryl Grossman Jeff Warner

- 1. Mr. Milovich read a letter dated August 25, 1995 from Mr. Schreck, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, requesting to be excused from Council Meetings due to his required attendance at the Police Academy. Mr. Milovich moved to excuse Mr. Schreck; Motion Died due to the lack of a Second.
- 2. President Grossman recognized Pastor Hartman of St. John's Lutheran Church for a presentation. Pastor Hartman reported on the church's trip to Lübtheen, Germany. We and the church have a "Sister City" relationship with Lübtheen. He read a speech that the Mayor gave to those on the trip. It said they would love to travel to Grove City, but, for now the funds were unavailable and being used toward the City's infrastructure. Pastor Hartman expressed happiness over the openness to the "Sister" relationship and gave the Mayor and Council Members a plate on behalf of the Mayor of Lübtheen. He also provided some literature, maps, & post cards of the area. President Grossman thanked Pastor Harmon for being such a great representative of Grove City and sharing the experiences of the trip.
- 2. Mr. Warner moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Milovich.

Mr. Milovich Yes
Mr. Hurley Yes
Ms. Grossman Yes
Mr. Warner Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Hurley, Chairman of the Lands & Zoning Committee for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

- 1. Ordinance C-60-95 (Approve PUD-R and PUD-C zoning classifications for 214.094 acres located at 1531 and 1533 White Road Eber-Lea Farm) was given its first reading. Second reading and public will be held on October 16, 1995.
- 2. Resolution CR-87-95 (Approve the Final Development Plan for Hannigan Memorial located at 4071 Franklin Street) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mrs. Judy Hannigan was present for any questions. There being none, Mr. Hurley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Hurley	Yes
Ms. Grossman	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes

3. Mr. Hurley moved to remove Ordinance C-53-95 from the table and place it on the Agenda; seconded by President Grossman.

Ms. Grossman	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes

Ordinance C-53-95 (Approve the Special Use Permit for a Restaurant/Lounge located at 3131 Broadway) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Johnny Dean, petitioner was present to answer any questions. He said he didn't understand why it was tabled, but, requested a favorable decision of Council this evening. Mr. Milovich explained that it was tabled at the last meeting to see if the liquor permit had come through. It had not and as of this afternoon, it has still not been issued. He feels there is a procedure for acquiring a permit and asked Mr. Lotz, Chief Building & Zoning Official, to explain how the inspection process works. Mr. Lotz said it was his understanding that a liquor permit is not issued for a new establishment until such time as they are actually open for business and all the required inspections (building, fire, etc.) are completed and the building is ready to be occupied by tenants. Mr. Dean stated that upon the unanimous approval of Planning Commission, he went forward with his plans to renovate the building and felt there would be no problem obtaining approval. Mr. Hurley noted that Planning Commission approved the Special Use Permit request with one stipulation, that being: All building, zoning, development and life safety Codes shall be complied with. As Mr. Lotz eluded to, this is also required from the Liquor Board and he said it was his opinion, as it was at the last meeting, that Council move forward with this. Mr. Warner took the same position. Mr. Dean said what they are doing with this is, basically, a restaurant and lounge. The are emphasizing food and the lounge would be a convenience for the customers at the hotel. Mayor Stage stated that we have taken a conservative view on liquor permits in general and hopes he is not being too critical of Council in the handling of this. He said there is only so much control we have to start with and this revolves around liquor permits in general - not singling anybody out.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Hurley moved to approve this ordinance; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes
Ms. Grossman	Yes

In the absence of Mr. Schreck, President Grossman chaired the Safety Committee, for discussion and voting of items under said committee.

1. Resolution CR-88-95 (Waive the provisions of Section 729.04(a) & (d) titled Outdoor Concert Limitations for One Day, September 17, 1995 to permit the Grove City High School Band Boosters hold a Fund Raising Concert) was given its reading and public hearing.

President Grossman read a letter from the Grove City High School Band Boosters, dated August 25, 1995, which requested permission to told an outdoor concert for the purpose of raising funds for the expansion of the band room. Mr. John Weadabush, representing the Band Room Expansion Committee, was present to answer any questions.

President Grossman requested that she be allowed to abstain from voting since she is a member of the Grove City High School Band Boosters. Mr. Warner moved to excuse President Grossman from voting; seconded by Mr. Hurley.

Mr. Milovich Yes
Mr. Hurley Yes
Ms. Grossman Yes
Mr. Warner Yes

There being no additional questions or comments, President Grossman moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Milovich.

Mr. Hurley Yes
Ms. Grossman Abstain
Mr. Warner Yes
Mr. Milovich Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Milovich, Chairman of Finance, for discussion and voting of items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-55-95 (Appropriate \$34,967.00 from the Sewer Fund for the Current Expense of reimbursing the City of Columbus for Tap Fees Collected) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Milovich explained that the City has a contract with the City of Columbus that requires us to collect and remit a portion of sewer tap fees to Columbus and this appropriation is for the second quarter of 1995.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Milovich moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Ms. Grossman Yes
Mr. Warner Yes
Mr. Milovich Yes
Mr. Hurley Yes

2. Ordinance C-56-95 (Establish the COP FAST Grant Fund and appropriate \$75,000.00 from the current expense of the Grant) was given second reading and public hearing..

Mr. Milovich announced that the City has received notice of the award of a Federal Grant for the COP FAST Program that this ordinance appropriates the funds for the purpose of the grant. Chief McKean explained that this represents a grant, through a Congress initiative to put more police officers on the street, that Grove City applied for and received. This amount will supply one (1) officer for three (3) years.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Milovich moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Hurley.

Mr. Warner Yes
Mr. Milovich Yes
Mr. Hurley Yes
Ms. Grossman Yes

3. Ordinance C-57-95 (Appropriate \$29,675.00 from the General Fund for the Installation of the fifth 800 mhz Radio Channel and to declare an emergency) was given its first reading.

Mr. Milovich explained that the original design of the 800 mhz system was to implement five channels to service the demand for service of the City of Grove City, Jackson and Pleasant Townships. The design criteria have now been met to implement the fifth channel with the cost equally shared by Jackson Township and the City. Since this effects the health, safety and welfare of the City, it is being considered as an emergency measure.

Chief McKean explained that this has been a 2 1/2 year project. When it began, we lacked the historical data to determine the exact number of channels and frequencies to meet the needs of the citizens for Grove City, Jackson Township and Pleasant Township. We licensed five (5) frequencies and installed four, based on calculations. Now, with a year to gather data, we see that our system is 70% loaded. In order to meet the future needs of our community, he requested permission to install the fifth channel. He said if we fail to exercise our option at this time, we will lose the frequency. Mr. Milovich said it was important for him to note the leadership of the City to create a cooperative spirit with these other government bodies to make this come to fruition.

Mr. Milovich noted that this was being considered as an emergency due to the time frame we are under. Chief McKean stated that they anticipated this several years ago, but, once they began the process and analyzing the date, Motorola was not as timely in providing the figures. Mr. Behlen elaborated, noting that it has taken over six months to get the right figures out of the Motorola office, based on the contract parameters.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Milovich moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and the waiting period waived; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes
Ms. Grossman	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes

Mr. Milovich moved it be approved as an emergency; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Hurley	Yes
Ms. Grossman	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes

- 4. Ordinance C-58-95 (Appropriate \$6,500.00 from the Street Fund for the current expense of Mosquito Control) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on September 18, 1995.
- 5. Ordinance C-59-95 (Appropriate \$12,383.76 from the Gardens at Gantz Fund for the current expense of Purchasing Plants and Supplies) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on September 18, 1995.

President Grossman asked that any new business to be brought before the attention of Council be done so at this time.

There being no new business, President Grossman recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. Mayor Stage presented the Mayor's Report and requested it be accepted. Mr. Warner moved to accept this portion of the Mayor's Report; seconded by Mr. Milovich.

Ms. Grossman	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes

Mayor Stage reported on the New Home Show. Although we have no numbers back yet, it seemed to be a success. He considers it a class showing of housing available in Grove City. He also commented on the "Sister City" relationship with Lübtheen,. One of the reasons it was started is that this City is about the same size Grove City was in 1952. When you consider 40+ years of being behind the iron curtain, what it has been through and how we were positioned in 1952, there are a lot of similarities. He said he hopes there are many things we can share and assist them with.

- 2. Mr. Lotz, Chief Building & Zoning Official, announced that the political scene is upon us and there is a provision in the Sign Code addressing political signs. Basically, the Code allows political signs to go up 20 days before the election. His department will be sending a copy to the local candidates.
- 3. Mr. Warner announced that on Sunday, September 10, 1995 at 4:00 p.m., Council will be cleaning their adopted street, which is the I-71 Interchange on Stringtown Road. Anybody interested in helping is invited there will be plenty of trash bags.
- 4. President Grossman announced that there will be a special meeting of Council on September 21, 1995 in the basement of City Hall at approximately 7:00 p.m. to conduct an informal discussion on the proposed Eber-Lea project. She also shared her pride over the New Home Show. It was certainly a very positive experience for the people of Grove City to share our community with people from all over Central Ohio.
- 5. After additional comments from Administration, the Chamber and Council, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

Clerk of Council

Cheryl L. Grossman

President